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COUNTY PARTNERS WITH TOWNS TO ACCEPT HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Monroe County Executive Jack Doyle today announced that the county's Department of Environmental Services, along with the towns of Penfield and Webster, will co-host a regional Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection at the Webster Highway Garage, 1005 Picture Parkway, on Saturday, April 21, 2001 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. All drop-offs are by appointment only.

"This collection gives residents the opportunity to dispose of potentially hazardous chemicals in a safe and proper manner, free-of-charge," said Doyle. "Storing unneeded paints and other chemicals only creates a dangerous situation for children and others living in homes."

In addition, Goodwill will be on-site to collect clothing, used toys and small appliances. The following hazardous materials are acceptable at the mobile HHW drop-off site:

- Products containing mercury, such as thermometers and thermostats
- Pesticides and fertilizers
- Household cleaners
- Wood preservatives and stains
- Oil-base and latex paints
- Chemical drain cleaners
- Thinners, solvents and strippers
- Syringes/sharps
- Pool cleaners and photo chemicals
- Soaps, waxes and cleaners
- Gasoline, kerosene and other flammable products
- Antifreeze, brake and transmission fluids
- Rechargeable (Ni-Cad) and button batteries
- Driveway sealer

To schedule an appointment for this Household Hazardous Waste Collection, Penfield residents should call the Penfield Highway Department at

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340-8665. Webster residents should call the Webster Highway Garage at 872-1443.

The county expects to amass approximately 20 tons of hazardous material at the collection. DES, in cooperation with the Eastman Kodak Company, will properly dispose of (or recycle) this material.

"As a result of our partnership with Kodak, materials that otherwise would be harmful to the environment if incorrectly dumped into storm drains or taken to landfills, will be properly disposed of," said Doyle.

The Penfield-Webster mobile HHW collection is the first in a series of regional collections organized by the county this year.

All residents can use the county's permanent Household Hazardous Waste Facility at 444 E. Henrietta Road. To schedule an appointment, call 760-7600 and select Option 3. For more information visit the county's web site at: www.co.monroe.ny.us under Earth, Air and Water.

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